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**August Events**

**August 13 (Saturday) 2pm-4pm**  
**Traditional Native Games**

Join us to learn about the games the First Peoples played and play them yourself! All ages invited to attend this fun event. Games offered may include shinny, double ball, kickball, hoop & arrow, and more. Cost: Free

**August 20 (Saturday) 10am–12pm**  
**Ranger Guided Hike**

Join a Montana State Park ranger for a guided hike along our 3.5 mile interpretive trail. During the hike you'll learn about the jump's history and how the First Peoples survived here long ago. The hike will start and finish at the park's visitor center and includes a trip to the top of the jump. Cost \$4.

**August 20 (Saturday) 1pm–2:30pm**  
**Native American Plains Ceremonies and Rituals**

It is recommended to attend one of the Native American Beliefs and Philosophies Program held on June 18 and July 16 first, as this program will build off those topics. Learn about the major ceremonies of the Native American Plains culture and traditions. Cost: FREE with entry to the park

*New events may be added over the course of the summer so be sure to check the park's website for the most up to date calendar.*

*First Peoples Buffalo Jump State Park reserves the right to cancel events due to unforeseen circumstances*

**SUMMER HOURS**

**April 1 – September 30**

**Open 7 days a week**

**8am-6pm**

**Walk-in access to the park is allowed until dark when parked outside the gates on the top of the jump**

**Entrance Fees**

**Non-Resident Vehicle \$6**

**Non-Resident Walk-/Bike-In \$4**

**Non-Resident Annual Pass \$35**

**Resident Free**

**For more information:**

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# FIRST PEOPLES BUFFALO JUMP STATE PARK ULM, MT

*Explore the story of the  
people, animals and land-  
scape of the prehistoric  
buffalo culture*



# Summer 2016 Schedule of Events



First Peoples Buffalo Jump State Park, a National Historic Landmark, is an archaeological site that tells the story of one of the largest prehistoric bison kill-sites in North America, capturing a portrait of Montana's First Peoples. For at least 600 years, from 900–1500, native peoples used this site to hunt buffalo. Step back in time and learn about the tribes and methods used in this communal hunting process. The park has a visitor center, interpretive trail, picnic tables, and a protected black-tailed prairie dog town to help visitors better understand the epic history of hunting on the high plains. The top of the jump offers expansive panoramic views of the Rocky Mountain Front, the Missouri River valley, and the buttes and grasslands characteristic of the region.

## June Events

### **Memorial Day—Labor Day Jump Talk Sundays at 1pm (weather dependant)**

Meet at the upper parking lot and join a ranger to learn how buffalo were stampeded off the cliff. Cost: Free

### **June 4 (Saturday) National Trails Day Plant Hike**

View the famous buffalo jump with ranger Clark Carlson-Thompson and identify the native plants and prairie wildflowers along the way. Learn how the First Peoples used these plants to survive on the prairie. Hike is good for active families. View the exhibits in the Visitors' Center afterwards. Reservations required. Register online at

[getfithikes.weebly.com](http://getfithikes.weebly.com) Cost: FREE

### **June 11 (Saturday) 1pm National Get Outdoors Day Snake Talk**

Join us at First Peoples Buffalo Jump to learn from Dan Waitt about these often misunderstood creatures. The program will be at 1pm and will last up to an hour. Come with your questions about snakes. Cost: FREE with entry to the park

### **June 18 (Saturday) 1pm - 2pm Native American Beliefs and Philosophies**

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### **June 23 (Thursday) 4pm to 5pm A Guide to understanding and enjoying Pow Wows**

Come learn about these exciting events that happen all over Montana. The talk will be in the park's visitor center. Cost: FREE with entry to the park

## July Events

### **July 2–3 (Saturday and Sunday 10am–6pm) Buffalo Kite Festival**

Join us for our Buffalo Kite Festival. Terry Zee Lee, who coordinated the Lewis and Clark kite display at Great Falls Int'l Airport, has worked with Native American artists from around the country to develop buffalo themed kites. Come and view these beautiful kites, speak with the artists, and watch as the kites take flight from the top of the buffalo jump. Feel free to bring your own kite and join in the fun. Kite making kits will be available to purchase for \$5 per kit. Event FREE with entry to the park

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